



# Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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**Date:** January 7, 2010

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**Subject:** Search Warrants Served – Stolen Property Recovered

**Case:** Multiple

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Early Tuesday morning, Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputies served two search warrants as part of a continuing burglary investigation. Around 8:30 a.m. deputies served warrants at property in Dinsmore and the China Creek area of Southern Humboldt.

At the first location, a 12-acre parcel in the 400 block area of Cobb Road in Dinsmore, deputies found several large items of stolen property. The items included four portable generators, a portable chipper shredder, and new aluminum trailer that had been stolen from a Fortuna dealership. Additionally, a Bobcat skid steer loader and the trailer used to transport it were recovered. The skid steer loader had been reported stolen from Centerville Beach in September, 2009.

The second search warrant was served in the 6000 block area of Crooked Prairie Road (China Creek area) also in connection with a burglary investigation. At this location deputies found indoor marijuana grow site with 625 growing marijuana plants. Additionally, three loaded firearms were found at the location. Deputies called for personnel with Humboldt County Division of Environmental Health as there were multiple hazards at the property including improperly stored used motor oil, vehicle batteries, and buried garbage. At this location, deputies made two arrests:

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**Frederick Richard Hoss**, 41 of Ettersburg. He booked for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, possession of a firearm while committing a felony, illegal possession of ammunition, cultivation of marijuana, possession of marijuana, providing a place for the cultivation of marijuana, and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia. He posted bail in the amount of \$30,000 and is scheduled to appear in court January 19, 2010.

**Ligeia Hassell**, 39 of Ettersburg. She was booked for possession of a firearm while committing a felony, cultivation of marijuana, possession of marijuana, and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia. She posted bail in the amount of \$30,000 and is scheduled to appear in court January 19, 2010.

These search warrants are follow-up to the two warrants served December 15, 2009 during which stolen property was recovered. On that day, Douglas and Ruth Boltzen were arrested for possession of stolen property. Douglas Boltzen remains in custody and Sheriff's Detectives will seek additional charges of grand theft and possession of stolen property against him.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted in the service of these warrants by personnel from U.S. Marshals Service, the California Highway Patrol, the Humboldt County Drug Task Force, the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office, and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Parole).

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Sheriff

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